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New SIES on board

Mr Jerry Proctor will be sworn in as the new SIES, deputy for Futures, at 3 p.m. Monday at the Lakeside Activity Centre Ballroom. Please note the time change as the ceremony was previously scheduled at 4 p.m.

AGD minimally staffed

The following Adjutant General Directorate offices, Casualty Office and Transition Point, will be at minimum staffing Friday due to participation in the USAIC&FH Organization Day events. All other AGD offices will be closed. In the event of an emergency please contact 533-2229 or 533-3792.

Blood Drive Friday

The American Red Cross is holding a blood drive from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Friday at Murr Community Center. Donors should drink extra water the today and eat a small low-fat meal or snack two to four hours before giving blood.

Upcoming blood drives are scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 20 at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center. Call Spc. Michelle Huffman at 533-2918 to schedule an appointment. Another one is scheduled from 2 to 8 p.m. Aug. 24 at Eifler Gym.

Donors may also donate at the American Red Cross Center near Donovan Dodge in Sierra Vista from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Monday and Wednesday, and from noon to 6 p.m. every Tuesday. Call 458-4858 for more information.

Green to Gold briefing

An ROTC Scholarship information briefing is set for active-duty enlisted soldiers who are considering becoming an officer. The briefing is from 11-11:45 a.m. today at the Buffalo Soldier Education and Training Center (Building 52104), Classroom 2. For information on eligibility requirements, call Capt. Dan Clark, enrollment officer, at 533-2390 or 533-3010.

OCS board convenes

The next installation Officer Candidate School Interview Board is scheduled to convene Wednesday through Aug.17, in the Roadrunner Conference Room, Murr Community Center. The deadline date for application to be received by the Adjutant General Directorate is Monday. All applications must be submitted in an original and three copies to the Personnel Operations Division, Building 41421 (ATTN: ATZS-AGO). Do not send applications through distribution. For more information, call Sgt. Jeanette Newell at 533-1705 or 533-1706.

USAIC&FH Org. Day

The annual U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca Organization Day is scheduled from 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Friday on Warrior Field. The event is open to all USAIC&FH soldiers, civilians and family members.

The all-day event will include sporting events, military competition events, food booths and various children's activities.

Hall of Fame recognition

The Hall of Fame Recognition Ceremony is scheduled at 10 a.m. Monday in Fitch Auditorium, Alvarado Hall. Personnel who are being recognized should arrive no later than 9:30 a.m. for accountability purposes.

Please contact Capt. Jeanne Duran at dduranj@hua.army.mil or at 533-1180 by close of business today to RSVP for this year's ceremony.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Tim Volkert

Strapping down

Donald Nelson, a transportation officer with the 11th Signal Brigade, shows Sgt. Robert Bakie from Company B, 40th Signal Battalion, 11th Sig. Bde. how to properly strap down equipment on the back of a humvee at the unit's motorpool July 30. The unit was loading up equipment for its upcoming exercise, Bright Star.

Arizona's BAC drops to .08 Aug. 31

Fewer drinks will get you drunk after law change

By Stan Williamson
Scout Staff

The Blood Alcohol Content used to determine if a person is under the influence of alcohol will drop from .10 to .08 BAC on Aug. 31.

"This means that the old standard of four beers or four glasses of wine, now drops to three beers or three wines for a 150 pound man to be considered as driving under the influence," said Ken Bowles, education coordinator, Army Substance Abuse Program.

"For the average woman, it would be about two beers or two glasses of wine."

According to Bowles, the law goes further because it states that "it is unlawful to drive or be in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, any drug, a vapor releasing substance containing a toxic substance, or any combination of liquor, drugs, or vapor releasing substances, if the person is 'impaired to the slightest degree.'"

After the recent Sugar Ray and Uncle Kracker concert held here, the Cochise County DUI Task Force stopped over 100 drivers off post and found seven with a BAC of .225.

They fall under the Extreme DUI Limit Law that went into effect on April 4, 2001 when Arizona Governor Jane Dee Hall signed the bill into law.

Under the Extreme DUI Limit Law, any person operating, or in actual control of a vehicle with a BAC of 0.15 or greater is guilty of driving while under the extreme influence of intoxicating liquor.

This is not a case of a couple of beers. These extreme DUIs had to have consumed more than that which meant they were driving drunk.

For a first conviction under the Extreme DUI Limit Law, you will:

- be sentenced to serve a minimum of 30 days in jail. A judge may suspend all but 10 days of the sentence if the person completes an alcohol or other drug screening, education or treatment program;
- you will pay a fine of at least \$250, plus any assessments, surcharges, restitution, and incarceration costs impose by the court;
- you will pay an additional assessment of \$250;
- you may be ordered to perform community service;
- you will be required to equip your motor vehicle or any motor vehicle you operate with a certified ignition interlock device for a minimum of one year on the conclusion of the license suspension or revocation; (Note: your license is immediately suspended upon arrest and you must surrender your license or permit to

drive to the law enforcement office on the spot);

- you will have attorney fees (or if you cannot afford one, one will be provided for you);
- your automobile insurance rates will increase substantially if you can find an insurance carrier that will accept you.

Bowles says its time for people to realize the full cost associated with a DUI or Extreme DUI conviction. Drinking and driving do not go together.

He said, "beside the civil penalties, driving after drinking has serious consequences in the military. Penalties can range all the way from fines, Letter of Reprimand, and loss of rank, to discharge from the military.

Other factors, such as the inability to drive on post for a year, and escalation in automobile insurance rates add considerably to the cost.

According to Bowles, if members of the military are injured in an alcohol related crash, and they're injuries are determined to be not in the line of duty, the soldiers could end up paying their own medical and hospital bills.

According to the Office of the Staff Judge Advocate here, federal statutes require a determination (be made) prior to award of disability and survivor benefits for disabling, potentially disabling, or injuries and diseases that occur under strange or doubtful circumstances, or because of a soldier's own intentional misconduct or willful negligence.

"Soldiers intentional misconduct" includes accidents that occur under the influence: injuries, diseases, or medical conditions occurring under strange or doubtful circumstances or due to misconduct or willful negligence; injuries or deaths involving abuse of alcohol or drugs; self-inflicted injuries or suicides; and injuries or deaths while Absent Without Leave.

Bottom Line — if a soldier is under the influence and gets in an accident that injures himself or another, there will be a Line Of Duty determination. If the soldier is deemed not in the line of duty, he will be personally liable.

It is much cheaper and safer to drive sober. If you drink, that is your business, but if you drink and drive, it becomes everybody's business because you are a risk on the road.

So, be considerate of others and drive sober. If you go out to drink, take a designated driver, or get a taxi, or call someone to help you get home safely. Just remember, friends don't let friends drive drunk; so do your part. Be a friend.

Bowles has a message for commanders. He said now is the time is to start getting the word out to your soldiers about the changes in Arizona law.

"Your Unit Prevention Leader is your right hand in making this happen," Bowles said.

"The ASAP Office is ready to present classes or to help your UPL To get assistance, to schedule a class, or for information, call me at 538-1315 or visit the ASAP Office in Building 22414."

Have we got news for you!

Read it online, click on huachuca-www.army.mil/USAG/PAO

International alert

Cross-border sweepstakes fraud is surging

BBB release

Consumers in states across the United States are contacting Better Business Bureaus to ask about the legitimacy of notices they receive by mail announcing that they have won substantial sums of money.

Consumers are instructed to send a check totaling between \$20 and \$40 to an address in Canada in order to collect their “entire award package.”

The promised winnings range from thousands to hundreds of millions of dollars. The prize notifications are mailed from U.S. addresses, but typically the return envelope is imprinted with a Canadian address.

“For the past several weeks the Canadian Council of Better Business Bureaus has been tracking this increase and inviting U.S. consum-

ers to send the original sweepstakes notice and related information to the CCBBB office.

“Preliminary findings indicate that the payments are directed to mailbox drops in the Toronto, Ontario, Canada area. We are working with the Canada Post, the Canadian Competition Bureau, and police agencies on this matter,” said Bob Whitelaw, president and CEO of the CCBBB.

Such fraudulent mail offers don’t just victimize consumers; they divert funds that might otherwise be spent for legitimate products and services, according to Whitelaw.

He estimates that \$25 billion is leaving the real North American economy and going into the pockets of these scam artists operating “you’ve won money” and similar “get rich quick” schemes.

“Raising public awareness to this fraud is crucial. Everyone loves to be a winner, but don’t allow enticing dollar signs to obstruct your common sense,” said Tom Collier, president and CEO of the Better Business Bureau of Southern Arizona.

“Legitimate sweepstakes do NOT require a fee to collect your winnings. Contact your BBB if you are uncertain about a particular offer.”

Information provided by consumers who have recently received fraudulent sweepstakes promotions reveals the following typical scenarios:

Linda W., Kingsburg, Calif. — Requested to send \$26 to receive \$6,000 to General Services International, 5863 Leslie Street, Suite 1004, Willowdale, Ontario M2H 1J8 (Toronto mailbox drop).

Donald H., Tumacacori, Ariz. — Requested to send \$26 for a prize payment of \$7,500 to Center for International Disbursements, Officer

of the Treasurer, 3219 Yonge Street, Suite 342, Toronto, Ontario M4N 2L3 (mailbox drop).

David A., New York, N.Y. — Requested to send \$20 to share between \$70 million and \$420 million. Sent check to MMA World Headquarters, 3219 Yonge Street, Toronto, M4N 2L3 (mailbox drop). Check was cashed in Vancouver, British Columbia - 2,500 miles from Toronto.

Kristie K., Oconomowoc, Wis. — Received a letter June 27 with an announcement that she had won \$5,000 cash award from Security Express, 3219 Yonge Streeeet, Suite 3442, Toronto M4N 2L3 (Mailbox drop is same one used by MMA World headquarters above.) She was asked to send \$26 to claim her prize.

BBBs advise consumers to remember the following if they receive a letter or phone call announcing that they have won money:

— Are you being directed to pay a fee upfront or purchase a product in order to “win” a sweepstakes contest or collect a sweepstakes prize?

Legitimate sweepstakes don’t require you to pay “taxes” or “shipping and handling” or any other fee, no matter how small, to get your prize. U.S. law prohibits requirements that you buy some-

thing to enter a sweepstakes contest or to receive sweepstakes mailing.

— Ask yourself if you had ever actually entered this company’s sweepstakes. You probably did not.

— Read the fine print on the sweepstakes offer or entry form. Usually it says something to the effect that you win, IF your number is selected or IF your number is one of the winning numbers.

— Be wary of any check enclosed with the promotion. The mailing of fake checks that don’t clearly state that they are non-negotiable and have no cash value is against the law.

— Don’t be deceived by seals, names or terms that imply an affiliation with or endorsement by the federal government. It’s illegal for a promoter to misrepresent an affiliation with a government agency or other well-known organization.

One final word of advice: Most questionable sweepstakes or prize promotion businesses don’t stay at one address long enough for BBBs or state consumer protection offices to develop reports on their marketplace records.

“You cannot assume that an absence of complaints means the offer is legitimate. Fraudulent businesses quickly close shop, discard their cell telephone numbers, abandon the 1-800 numbers and move to another address to avoid law enforcement detection,” Collier said.

Lifelong Learning

Research world’s armies without leaving

By Chris Hurd Librarian

How many divisions does the Indian army have? Information available at the Fort Huachuca Library can answer this question. The library has material covering all armies of the world, as well as regions and specific countries. Information sources include books, magazines, and online databases.

One well-known source is “The Military Balance,” authored by the International Institute for Strategic Studies. While the armies of most countries are covered in one page or less, there is basic data on strength, equipment, and organization.

An additional feature of this publication is a section on forces abroad, and paramilitary units. Peacekeeping troops are listed as well, including the countries in which these forces are stationed, and the number of soldiers deployed.

The library’s most comprehensive source for information on this subject is ‘Jane’s World Armies.’ This 845-page book, dated 2001, covers many aspects of a nation’s army.

Sections include national and armed forces overviews, command and control, army organization, and equipment.

Additional sections cover recent procurements, current developments, and recent operations. Included in the armed forces overview sections are details on the defense budget.

The CIA’s ‘World Factbook,’ contains limited information on a country’s armed forces, primarily highlighting the available manpower pool. The library has the classified version of this book. The classified book contains more

extensive information on armed forces. The classified version is available to active duty military and Department of Defense civilians with a secret clearance. Library staff will verify clearances before access is granted.

In addition, the library subscribes to several magazines that cover world armies. The periodical, ‘Jane’s Intelligence Review,’ contains information on the army of a specific country. These magazines are indexed in several places, including the CD-ROM version of the ‘Air University Index to Military Periodicals.’

Jane’s produces a series of publications focusing on a specific area of the world. The library has three of these: the Balkans, the Gulf States, and China and Northeast Asia. The armed forces of all countries included in these publications are extensively covered.

Books covering the armed forces of a specific country are also available. The library has many books on the armed forces and armies of the former Soviet Union.

Iraq also rates several publications. Several recent books detail the armed forces of China. Of course, there is much information on the United States Army, both historical and current.

How many divisions does the Indian Army have? According to the book ‘Military Balance 2000-2001,’ India has 35 divisions.

This information and much more on the armies of the world is available at the Fort Huachuca Library, located on the corner of Smith and Arizona Streets. Library hours are 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday and Tuesday; and 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Wednesday through Saturday. For more information, call 533-3041.

Ranch wife featured photographer at library

By Natalie Danforth

Administrative Librarian

Terry Crowley of Paulden, Ariz., near Prescott, is exhibiting her photographic works throughout August in the Fort Huachuca Library.

Formerly a resident of Cochise County, she is an Arizona native. Her parents and her husband’s parents both homesteaded on Arizona ranches, one family in the Willcox area and the other in the Rim country of north-central Arizona. Crowley was raised on a remote ranch outside of Kingman, Ariz., in the Music Mountains across the Hualapai Reservation.

Her photographs reflect her Arizona heritage and her surroundings over the last 20 years. The mother of five, Crowley’s photographs will include those of her children in a ranch setting as well as a ranch wife’s view of cowboy life in New Mexico, Arizona, Canada, Hawaii, and parts in between.

While living in Cochise County, she studied graphic design and photography at Cochise College and has recently begun hand-tinting special black and white photographs.

Crowley’s exhibit is the eighth in a series of

exhibits scheduled for Fort Huachuca Library display throughout the year, but only the third to feature photographic works.

Bisbee residents Karl Runkle, a former professional photographer for Northwest Airlines and Sandy Upson, a photographer specializing in natural history, were the first to display their photographic work in the library.

All are invited to view Crowley’s exhibit. Local ranch families will find her work a reflection of their own lives, and those of us who can only imagine what it is to grow up on a ranch will find this August display a winner.

You don’t need to be a Fort Huachuca resident to visit the library. Just stop for a visitor’s pass at the Main Gate with your vehicle registration, driver’s license and proof of insurance.

The Fort Huachuca Library is located on the corner of Smith Avenue and Arizona Street, next to the Main Post Chapel, down the street from the Burger King. Hours of operation are Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and Wednesdays through Saturdays from 10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

For more information or directions on how to find the library, call 533-3041.

Commander’s Hotline

Caller questions qualifications of RPM Auto Center staff

This call was received over the Commander’s Hotline (533-BOSS).

Call

My problem entails I had my vehicle serviced (my A/C serviced) at the RPM Auto Center on May 15, after which the system — what they did was put the new type of freon, converted from the old freon to the new-type freon, and the system blew that same afternoon that they serviced it.

Now, the problem is trying to get it fixed.

Morale, Welfare and Recreation is denying responsibility, claiming that it’s the contractor’s problem. The contractor is claiming that the mechanic who serviced the vehicle wasn’t even part of their contract. I’ve been through the entire chain of command for MWR. I’ve been through the entire chain of command up to the Inspector General. I went to the Judge Advocate General office, and the JAG office is basically telling me I have to go downtown...

I have some questions I want answers to:

If the mechanic who worked on my vehicle was not an employee of the RPM contractor, why was he rented space and

allowed to conduct “business” at the RPM, a government owned facility?

If he was rented space by RPM management, when then would [RPM] not be responsible for his work, since he used RPM facilities, tools and other resources to work on my car for a profit?

Since RPM did rent this individual space to work as a mechanic, what training or work experience did he offer RPM management that he was qualified to service vehicles as a mechanic?

Response

Answers to the questions from the caller are as follows:

Q: If the mechanic who worked on my vehicle was not an employee of the RPM contractor, why was he rented space and allowed to conduct “business” at the RPM, a government owned facility?

A: The individual can request to bring in a mechanic of their own choice, and this individual chose the mechanic referenced in this complaint.

Q: If he was rented space by RPM management, when then would they (RPM) not be responsible for his work,

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Deal hands over reins of ISEC to Shively

By Angela Moncur
Scout Staff

The U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command officially changed command Friday in front of Greely Hall.

Col. John C. Deal relinquished command to Col. Mary Beth Shively in a ceremony presided over by Maj. Gen. William Russ, commanding general, Communications, Electronics Command.

“It’s never easy to say goodbye to a truly great leader who has motivated soldiers and civilians,” Russ said referring to Deal.

“Your leadership has rallied the men and women of ISEC.

“This change of command is a time to rededicate ourselves to meeting the challenges of the mission,” Russ said.

Turning his comments to Shively, Russ said the command is getting an innovative and caring teacher “who isn’t afraid to get her boots muddy and is always ready to step forth and take charge.”

As Shively took over the reins of ISEC she said, “[Fort Huachuca] is where I learned what good units look like, and what good leaders do. And the reason I’m in the Army today is because of the people I met at Fort Huachuca.”



Col. Mary Beth Shively accepts the guidon from Maj. Gen. William Russ, commanding general, Communications-Electronics Command.



Photos by Angela Moncur

Gerrie and Col. John C. Deal bid farewell to comrades and coworkers at the U.S. Army Information Systems Engineering Command change of command ceremony Friday.



Col. Mary Beth Shively (right) discusses her new assignment as ISEC commander with Mrs. Verdun and Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas, commanding general, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca.



With one of Col. John Deal’s hobbies being exploring historic Fort Huachuca by horseback, it seemed fitting for Deal and his wife, Gerrie, to “ride off into retirement.”

Rabid bat found at Self Help building, sent to Tucson laboratory

By Stan Williamson
Scout Staff

A bat was found outside the Self Help building on Christy Avenue Thursday.

Kim C. Bartlein, a post wildlife technician, from the Wildlife Office, Directorate of Installation Support, said he caught a rabid bat at the Self Help building after he was notified by entomologist who works for CABACO and DIS.

The suspected bat was sent to the Post Veterinary Clinic who sends them to a laboratory in Tucson that tests all suspected animals with signs of rabies. It was not one of the endangered species bats.

Anyone who may have had direct contact with the bat may require post-exposure treatments since the disease is fatal.

According to Bartlein, there is a new treatment which requires five shots in the arm, and not in the stomach or through the belly as with

the older method of treatment. He also warns that there is no guarantee that this treatment will work after you have been bitten or exposed. His best advice is to not make contact with a bat in the first place.

Bat rabies continues to be a problem in the United States. Of the 27 human fatalities due to rabies in the 1990s, 20 of them have been attributed to bats.

Bartlein says there is always danger to animals such as dogs and cats who can come in contact with them when they are flopping around on the ground.

He cautioned pet owners to always watch their pets at night when they are them out to take care of mother nature.

Bats are normally around Fort Huachuca from April to October when they migrate up from Mexico and have their young and nurse them and fly back to Mexico in the fall.

They can be seen around humming bird feeders at night and around lights where insects seem to hang out. These bats mostly feed on insects, and according to Bartlein, a colony of bats can eat about 600,000 insects a night.

Bats are an important part of the ecosystem. Besides being a major predator on night-flying insects, they are important for seed dispersal and pollination of many plants. In fact, the desert ecosystem of Arizona relies on nectar-feeding bats to pollinate Saguaro, Organ Pipe and Agave plants.

Bats that are flying around and roosting in a normal place pose virtually no risk for rabies. In fact, only one-half of one percent of all bats contract rabies. However, should you see bats that display other than normal movement, such as flopping around on the ground around a building or house, call the Wildlife

office at 538-0492, pager 378-9069, the Military Police and the Work Order desk at 533-3151 or 533-2003.

Bartlein said, contrary to popular belief bats do not suck blood from animals and they do not fly into your hair. The closest vampire bats are in Mexico and do not wander anywhere into the United States.

If you see a bat during the daytime and it is not hanging upside down on a wall or roof eave of a house or places other than where they normally roost, call the animal control office.

Do not approach or handle any bat that is on the ground. If you have a bat in your house, or if you find a bat that is behaving strangely, call Kim Bartlein at 538-0492, or after hours call the Military Police desk at 533-3000. They will ensure the bat is handled properly and rabies testing is conducted, if necessary.

PowerTrack award finds home here

By Stan Williamson
Scout Staff

Two employees in the Directorate of Installation Support are being heralded for their work with the Electronic Transportation Acquisition system PowerTrack module.

The PowerTrack Outstanding Approval Performance Award for 2001 was presented to Fort Huachuca at the PowerTrack Users conference held in Phoenix, June 25-27. It was presented by Mary Lou McHugh, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Transportation.

“Ms. Pat Santos, Ms. Susanne Robinson, employed by Brown and Root Services in the Freight Services Office, are the two personnel responsible for all ETA/PowerTrack operations here,” said Adrian P. Lilly, chief of the Logistics Management Division, DIS.

“It was through their diligent work effort that this honor was awarded to Fort Huachuca,” he said.

The Management Reform Memorandum #15, which is a plan to completely reengineer the Department of Defense’s transportation documentation and financial processes, was signed by Dr. John Hamre on July 7.

PowerTrack is a module within the Electronic Transportation Acquisition system used by most all in DoD, explained Dan W. Berry, Supply and Services Division Manager, Brown and Root Services “It was introduced here about one and a half years ago. PowerTrack is the method of approving payments to carriers after delivery has been recorded, and is the backbone for implementing MRM #15” he said.

“It replaced the Government Bill of Lading system where payment was made by DFAS. Some payments under the old system were unsatisfied for up to six months.

According to Berry, the DOD standard for payment to carriers is 100 percent of payments must be accomplished within three working days. Santos and Robinson approved 100 percent of payments due within 1.74 days.

“There is no warning screen that indicates there is a payment to be approved.” He said. “They check for carriers notification of delivery that warrants approval. This is done diligently throughout the day. They are aware of the DOD standards and personally strive to beat them.”

A quote posted on the PowerTrack website says “from January through June 2001, Fort Huachuca achieved an average approval time of an incredible 1.74 days. We salute their outstanding accomplishment and commitment to getting their partners paid quickly.”

Berry said, “Interestingly, the award does not have Fort Huachuca written on it. This is because up until June 27, the statistics were still being fed to the people at the convention. It was not until that very day that they announced a winner. These statistics encompassed all PowerTrack users throughout the DoD. Some with as little as four shipments a month.

“Since finding out that Fort Huachuca is the winner and fastest in the DoD,” Berry said, “Pat and Susanne are already finding ways to speed up their approval process. They don’t want to give up this award.”

Kudos Korner

Student named All-American Scholar

The U.S. Achievement Academy named Jamia B. Paylor an All-American Collegiate Scholar. Jamia is the daughter of Command Sgt. Maj. Larry Paylor, Army Signal Command sergeant major here, and Joyce Paylor.

The USAA has established the All-American Collegiate Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Collegiate Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grade point average. Only scholars selected by a school official or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA. These are awards few students can ever hope to attain.

Jamia attends Fayetteville State University and will appear in the All-American Collegiate Yearbook, which is published nationally.

“Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America’s history. Certainly, winners of the All-American Collegiate Awards should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement,” said Dr. George Stevens, executive director of the U.S. Achievement Academy.

Post Thrift Shop has record year

The Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop broke all gross sales records with sales totaling \$339,200.05 for this fiscal year that ended June 30.

Of that total, \$306,935.64 went back into the soldier’s pocket. The Thrift Shop’s main objective is to provide the soldier with a place to sell items they no longer need and to purchase used items they do need.

After minimal expenses to run the shop, all profits are divided between the Officers’ and Civilians’ Spouses Club and the Noncommissioned Officer, Enlisted and Civilian Spouses’ Club for disbursement back into the community.

The Thrift Shop is open to the public for shopping on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Consignments are taken on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month.

To see if you are eligible to consign in the shop, call 458-4606 or stop in the shop to get a printed brochure with all the rules and regulations.

The shop is managed by seven employees and about 60 volunteers.

The Thrift Shop is located in Building 90012 right inside the Main Gate on the right.

Spiritual Fitness: Do you have it in you?

By Megan Acord
Scout Intern

“The bottom line is that soldiers cannot wait until the bullets start flying at us to become spiritually fit. We have to foster spiritual fitness right now, begin immediately in preparation for the demands of life as a soldier,” said Chap. (Maj.) Ira Houck III, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade Chaplain.

Leaders thought that as we intentionally sustain the material fighting force we must also not ignore the spiritual forces that affect our soldiers. Therefore, our leaders began to intentionally build the interior moral force that motivates and sustains the fighting spirit of each soldier.

What is spiritual fitness? Spiritual fitness is defined in Army Regulation 165-1. The term means many things to different people. “I first encountered the term in Army Chaplain Basic Course years ago. The term is unique to the Army, but spiritual fitness is not really new. It is old as the Bible,” Houck said.

As Houck learned it and as he practices it with soldiers and ministry team members, spiritual fitness means caring for soldiers in a particular way. This kind of caring requires a commitment by the entire community as well as the individual, because spiritual fitness is not something one person does or achieves. It’s about being concerned for the well being of the entire individual, the family unit, the community, the installation, and the nation.

“I suppose spiritual fitness became the way to define ‘right living’ in the Army without identifying right living with any one religious group. Spiritual fitness emerges out of concern for living a life of love, love for duty, for neighbor, for God and country,” Houck said.

Just as soldiers have physical regulations that govern the soldier’s life, there are spiritual regulations that govern our well being as a total human being. Those spiritual regulations are called spiritual fitness, or principles to govern one’s entire living.

Or as Chap. (Lt. Col.) Willard Richardson of Kino Chapel put it, “The human being is made up of three legs like a milk stool — spirit, mental and physical. All three of those things need to be present to maintain wholeness. And if one is broken then life is out of balance.”

Maintaining spiritual fitness may be different for everyone, but Houck explains it in one word “worship.” Spiritual fitness is rooted in worship, in particular the worship of the living God.

Its getting involved with the God that created them and one should order their priorities around that God.

A spiritually fit person is a person who worships regularly by maintaining spiritual fitness with “Be, Know and Do.” Be a leader, know your people and your job, and do what is right in all places and

in all times. So therefore, practicing these principles we maintain Spiritual Fitness. Its best maintained by practicing what you preach or believe in.

The Army hires chaplains to ensure that all people in the armed forces have the freedom to worship, as they want. The Army does not subscribe to any one religion. The Army practices the separation of church and state.

Spiritual fitness develops out of a commitment to train, serve and if necessary give our lives as soldiers in defense of our nation.

“If the military mission requires the soldier to put his or her own life on the line, then our soldier needs to be assured that this will provide them to choose the right decision that are morally right under the circumstances,” Richardson said.

“A soldier’s spiritual fitness equips him or her to do their duty, even in the face of danger, with more confidence, because he or she is comforted by their faith in the living god that created them. In return helps the soldier at home and on the battlefield with confidence.”

If one thing can be learned it’s this — everyone has some kind of spiritual fitness in his or her life. The question is will your spiritual fitness sustain you?

Lutherans, Episcopalians combine Sunday services

Chapel release

On Sunday, some important changes that place that will affect the Lutheran and Episcopal communities on post. The 11 a.m. Lutheran service at MI Village Chapel Annex combines with the Episcopal service at the Main Post Chapel. The 11 a.m. Lutheran service at MI Village ended Aug. 5 and moves to a new time on Sunday. Episcopalians and Lutherans will now share the same worship hour on Sundays at 8 a.m.

Beginning Sunday the Lutheran and Episcopal services combine at Main Post Chapel. Worship for both communities is 8 a.m. in the Main Post Chapel sanctuary. The chaplaincy regrets any inconvenience this change may cause, but the overall advantages outweigh the disadvantages for the larger community.

Children’s Church School and child watch runs during the 8 a.m. service. Audra Parker runs a premiere Church School program for Episcopal and Lutheran children ages 5-12.

The Church School, an adult Bible study program, together with the teenage Christian education program commences in early September and runs from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The two communities were combined for many reasons.

First, Chap. (Maj.) Ira Houck is moving out of the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade and into the Installation Staff Chaplain’s Office to become the Resource Manager for the Chaplain’s Non-Appropriated Fund at Fort Huachuca. He will also assist with the 11 a.m. Main Post Chapel Protestant service and therefore, will not be able to conduct services at MI Village.

Secondly, our Lutheran and Episcopalian communities benefit by linking the Holy Communion service with discipleship and fellowship. Lutherans and Episcopalians have much in common. They share a similar Holy Communion liturgy. The unity demonstrates to the wider Church that Christians of differing traditions can worship, pray and work together. The communities worship better together than separately. Although the two communities are small, they are very significant.

Finally, the communities benefit from mutual support. The teens and children have an opportunity to learn together. The prayers and traditions will enrich one another. There will be some growing pains, but the communities can grow spiritually together without compromising the sacred traditions.

For more information on spiritual fitness, worship service schedules or chaplain programs, call 533-2366.

Fort residents can keep their garden ‘water wise’ during August

WWES release

Fort Huachuca residents maybe wondering what to do in their ‘water wise’ garden to keep it blooming and growing. The fort’s Water Wise and Energy Smart program gives residents suggestions for maintaining gardens during the month of August.

— Remove spent flowers on annuals to prolong blooming.

— The summer rains begin! Watering maybe reduced or stopped all together and resumed when the rains decrease, usually sometime in September.

— Take advantage of the summer rains to plant water wise trees, shrubs, and flowers. Contact our office for a list of plants that do well on Fort Huachuca or visit one of our demonstration sites at the Uhrane Traffic Circle or Fire Station #1 for plant ideas. Plants are labeled for easy identification.

— Mulch, mulch, mulch!

covers the top of the soil around the root zones of plants.

Why use mulch?

— Mulching prevents moisture loss, therefore extending periods of watering by days, sometimes even by weeks!

— By shading the soil, mulches inhibit weed growth. What weeds do get through are easy to pull and weeding will decrease as time goes by.

— Keeps soil from splashing onto plant leaves, thereby reducing certain diseases.

— Mulches reduce work and add a finishing touch to the landscape.

How do I use mulch?

— A good rule of thumb is to apply mulch at least 2-3 inches deep around the root zone of trees, shrubs, flowerbeds, and vegetable gardens. Remember to keep mulch 2-3 inches away from trunks and stems.

— Weed fabric may be used under mulch as an added measure to keep weeds down - NOT black plastic as it does not allow the exchange of water and oxygen that plant roots require. Plastic also permits rainwater to run off the property — you want to retain it! (If plastic

is already installed, you can take a garden fork and punch holes in it, especially around the perimeter of plants. This is especially important around trees, to allow water to penetrate to the feeder roots.)

Southwestern gardening books now at library

WWES release

A selection of books on southwestern gardening and landscaping is now available at the Main Post Library. These books are provided to the community as part of the Water Wise and Energy Smart Program.

For those who have had a landscaping consultation done, xeric landscaping does not mean zero landscaping. There are many colorful and interesting drought-tolerant and native plants that you can choose from to beautify your yard.

If you would like advice and suggestions as to what plants and trees will grow well here in the high desert, ideas for plant groupings and “hardscape” (boulders, walls, large pots, etc.), an introduction to some common garden pests, and information about proper techniques for watering and pruning your shrubs and trees, look in your Main Post Library for the books listed below:

If you have any questions about gardening or landscaping, or would like to schedule a free landscape consultation, please contact the Water Wise and Energy Smart Program at 538-7283.

Native Plants for Southwestern Landscapes by Judy Mielke (WWES highly recommends this book which is easy to read and understand, and is filled with colorful photos of each plant.)

The Xeriscape Flower Gardener by Jim Knopf

The Book of Outdoor Gardening by Smith and Hawken

The AHS Pruning and Training by Christopher Brickel and David Joyce

Pests of the West by Whitney Cranshaw
Sunset Landscaping Illustrated by Sunset Book, Inc.

For more information about these books, or to schedule a free landscaping consultation for your quarters or building on Fort Huachuca, call Ginger Maxey, Energy and Water Conservation Educator, at 538-SAVE (7283).

Chalk Talk

College receives Title V funding for Hispanic student retention program

Cochise College release

Cochise College has received word that a program to improve Hispanic-student retention at Cochise College will be funded by a federal \$2 million Title V, Higher Education Act grant.

Title V funds are directed toward Hispanic-serving institutions, where at least 25 percent of the student population is Hispanic.

“Conexiones” will begin a five-year pilot period this fall. It is designed to give students an understanding of college procedures, an awareness of how to ask for appropriate courses and services, convenient access to technology, and a “learning community” approach to instruction.

“One of our goals is to increase the success rates of students typically underserved by higher education,” says Cochise College President Dr.

Karen Nicodemus. “Unfortunately, national statistics indicate our Hispanic students are part of this underserved population.

“By creating learning communities and addressing the so-called ‘digital divide,’ we hope more of our Hispanic students will complete their educational goals at Cochise College.”

Cochise College will receive more than \$400,000 per year for five years to implement the following initiatives:

— a series of Learning Communities courses that place students in cohort groups to make them feel more comfortable in a college setting and encourage their persistence and success. The courses would provide basic skills in reading, writing and computer use, as well as preparation for employment and university transfer;

which can be used to purchase supplies.

Drop-off sites will be located on the Sierra Vista campus during the fall semester, which begins Aug. 20.

To donate sooner, contact Katharina Criscuolo, vice president of service, at 538-3120, or e-mail criscuolok@hqisec.army.mil.

Phi Theta Kappa is the international honor society for two-year college students. There are two chapters at Cochise College: Alpha Mu Zeta in Sierra Vista and Alpha Beta Zeta in Douglas.

— faculty and students who participate in web-enhanced classes through creating class web pages, online discussions, group projects, electronic portfolio assessment and critical thinking projects;

— improvements in student services that facilitate student movement through the institution and create online tracking and accounting systems for the college and the students themselves to use. Students will participate in online orientation, assessment, early warning/intervention, career planning and university transfer.

Some activities similar to “Conexiones” are already underway, but the federal funds will allow the College to offer them to more students.

The College will ensure continuation of the program beyond its five-year pilot period by set-

ting aside an annual sum from the grant and matching it with funds from the Cochise College Foundation as an endowment.

“The program we proposed in the Title V application was based on some of the best and innovative practices current in U.S. higher education,” said Janet Martinez-Bernal, a languages instructor at the Douglas campus who helped prepare the Title V proposal and who will serve as project director.

“As a college, we are honored to join other Title V institutions around the country in making these opportunities available to a larger percentage of our students.”

Though the goal is to help minority students succeed in college and beyond, grant-funded activities welcome all Cochise College students.

Group to provide details on business programs

Cochise College release

Prospective college business students are invited to attend “Get Back to Business Night” Tuesday at the Sierra Vista campus of Cochise College.

Representatives of five area colleges will provide details on their business programs at 6:30 p.m. in the commons area of the

Andrea Cracchiolo Library.

Spokespersons from the University of Phoenix, Western International University, Wayland Baptist University, the University of Arizona-South and Cochise College will present their programs, delivery formats and schedules.

Questions will be encouraged.

Community Updates

Conservation Committee meets

The quarterly meeting of the Fort Huachuca Conservation Committee will be 10-11:30 a.m., Wednesday in the Holland Room, Riley Barracks, Building 51005.

The meeting will provide updates on several local natural resources and conservation programs including current activities on Fort Huachuca, the Upper San Pedro Partnership, City of Sierra Vista Recharge Project, the Fort Huachuca Effluent Recharge Project and Bureau of Land Management SPRNCA activities. The program for this meeting will be a presentation on Gould’s Turkey Management in Southeastern Arizona, presented by Brian Wakeling of the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

For information, call Robert Bridges at 533-1863.

CGSC course offered here

Both Phase I and Phase III of the Command & General Staff Officer Course (a required Officer Professional Development course) are being offered at Fort Huachuca. The classes start in October and will be held one weekend each month.

The classroom option has numerous advantages over the correspondence version, including:

- Both a higher graduation rate and higher grade average;
- Workload sharing and interaction with active and reserve component students;
- Professional and structured learning environment;
- Instructor support.

Class sizes are limited. For enrollment information, call Rick Meador at 538-5099 or e-mail meadorr.fhu.disa.mil; or call Maj. Mo Ostroff at (602) 650-3137.

College to close for convocation

Cochise College offices in Sierra Vista, Douglas, Benson and Willcox will be closed Monday while faculty and staff kick off the fall semester at convocation.

Because of the closing, registered students have until 4:30 p.m. Tuesday to pay tuition and fees, either in the cashier’s office or by telephone with a credit card. Call 417-4076 for the Douglas campus or 515-5416 for the Sierra Vista campus.

The College’s regular hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday will resume Tuesday. Fall semester classes begin Aug. 20.

Special military rates

Days Inn East of Universal Studios Florida is offering military personnel special room rates from \$35 per night (Sunday-Thursday) and \$39 per night (Friday and Saturday). Rates are per night, plus tax and based on space availability and valid Aug. 12-Dec. 20. These special rates are not available during holidays or special events. Up to a \$40 surcharge may apply during October weekends.

Range closures

Saturday	AB, AC, AD, AG, AU, AW, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Sunday	AD, AU, AW
Monday	AA, AD, AE, AL, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Tuesday	AA, AD, AE, AL, AU, AW, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Wednesday	AA, AD, AE, AL, AM, AU, AV, AW, AX, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Aug. 16	AA, AD, AE, AF, AL, AU, AW, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Aug. 17	AA, AD, AE, AL, AU, AV, AW, AY, T1, T1A, T2
Aug. 18	AD, AW, T1, T1A, T2
Aug. 19	AD, AW

For questions regarding the closure of ranges please call Range Control at 533-7095.

Force protection training

Two makeup classes for the annual mandatory Force Protection training are being offered at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., and 1:30 p.m., Aug. 28-29 in the Cochise Theater. Persons arriving after the session has begun will not be admitted to that session.

Directorates or units sending large groups to the sessions should coordinate prior to the sessions to insure that sufficient space is available.

Contact Bill Ivory, chief Force Protection Operations, Directorate of Public Safety, at 533-5249 for more information.

Ed Center short staffed

Due to a severe staffing shortage and the current hiring freeze, the Army Education Center will, on occasion, have limited counseling services available. Where possible, the center will attempt to give the public advance notice of days when services will be limited. For the month of August, there will be no mandatory transition counseling, no DD 295 completions, and no formal career counseling Friday and Aug. 20-22. There will be no VEAP to MGIB conversions on those dates, either. (Note: This is especially important information for drill sergeants who have Advance Individual Training students appearing before MED Boards.) Tuition Assistance will still be available on those days.

PAO hosts Stringer Course

The U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Officer is hosting its second Public Affairs Stringer Course Sept. 20.

This free course will run 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Quality Training Center, Classroom 4 (off Christy Avenue).

The course is designed to provide the fort’s military and civilian employees with training that will equip them with the tools needed to successfully provide information to *The Fort Huachuca Scout* newspaper and local media (i.e., radio and television). Commands, directorates and partner interested in getting the

word out on post and to local communities are encouraged to send representatives.

Civilians providing a completed DD 1556 form will obtain training credit. Military will receive a certificate of completion at the close of the course. To register, call Ginny Sciarino at 533-1285. Seating is limited. Registration deadline is Sept. 17.

DOIM computer classes set

The Directorate of Information Management is conducting several computer classes during the month of August. All classes start promptly at 9 a.m. and class size is limited to 14 students. It is mandatory to sign up for a class prior to attending. It is beneficial to sign up as early as possible, as classes fill up quickly. The classroom is located in De Rosy Cabell Hall (Building 22324) on Christy Avenue.

Today – Intermediate Access 2000
Friday — Advanced Access 2000
Monday — Word 2000
Tuesday – Form Flow
Aug. 16 – Power Point 2000
Aug. 20 – Creating Web pages with HTML
Aug. 22 – Outlook
Aug. 27 – The Practical PC
Aug. 29 – Intro to the Internet, Part I
Aug. 30 – Intro to the Internet, Part II

Candidates for the advance courses must have taken the basic courses or have instructor approval first.

FHOCSC membership drive

The Fort Huachuca Officers’ and Civilians’ Spouses’ Club is having a welcome and signup coffee for membership 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Lakeside. To have your organization represented, call Trish Crider at 452-8103 or Kristal Olmstead at 378-9611.

OCSC membership drive

The Fort Huachuca Officers’ and Civilians’ Spouses’ Club will host a membership drive and welcome coffee 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Aug. 22 at LakeSide Activity Centre. The club encourages new and student spouses to see what the club has to offer, including crafts like basket weaving, quilting, paper piercing, soap works, cake decorating, as well as other special interests. Meet area Chamber of Commerce representatives, such as *A.D. Furniture Repair & Restoration* and many others.

For more information, call 452-8103 or 378-3564.

Old Crows meet

The Cochise Chapter of the Association of Old Crows will host its monthly luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Aug. 23 in the Boots N’ Saddle Room of La Hacienda.

The guest speaker will be Wilma Bernardo, chief of force design at Fort Huachuca, speaking on the Military Intelligence Transformation Structure.

Cost is \$7.75 for German buffet and salad bar; \$6.75 for buffet only; or \$5 for salad bar

July water use 10 percent less

**By Tanja M. Linton
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The water pumpage for July 2001 is 48,063,000 gallons, or 147 acre feet, and is equivalent to 1.6 million gallons per day.

The July 2001 pumpage is 10 percent less than that pumped in July 2000 (163 acre feet) and is 45 percent less than the 19-year (1982-2000) July average (268 acre feet).

This July’s pumpage is also the lowest pumpage for July in the 19-year period.

Total water pumped year to date (January-July 2001: 1,009 acre feet) is 11 percent less than that pumped in 2000 (1,134 acre feet).

July 2001 water usage at Libby Army Air-

only. Make reservations no later than Aug. 21.

RSVP to one of the following: Dick Mortensen at 459-0447 or mortens@c2i2.com; Gene Frantz at 533-2331 or arthur.frantz@hua.army.mil or Bill Meyer at 458-7070. This luncheon is open to the public.

Kino Gospel revival

The Kino Chapel Gospel Service invites the public to its upcoming revival to be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 22-24 at Kino Chapel here.. This year’s theme is “One In Spirit and Purpose” (Philippians 2:2).

The guest speaker for the event will be the Rev. Roderick Mitchell, Pastor of New Life Church, Cleveland, Miss. Mitchell is nationally renown for his works in preaching, teaching and uplifting the ministries of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

DAV phone number correction

The Aug. 2 issue of *The Fort Huachuca Scout* newspaper incorrectly stated the phone number of the Disabled American Veterans as 533-2377. The correct number is 458-5776.

2001 CFC begins

The 2001 Combined Federal Campaign for Fort Huachuca and Cochise County will run Sept. 17-Oct. 31. Organizations should be on the lookout for a tasking letter requiring them to appoint a Unit Coordinator.

The initial meeting for Unit Coordinators will be held Tuesday, 10-11:30 a.m., in Room 2111B of Greely Hall. The training session for unit coordinators and key workers will take place from 9-11 a.m. and 1-3 p.m. Sept. 5 in Room 1215, Greely Hall Auditorium.

If you have questions regarding the training, call the CFC Coordinator at 538-6048 or e-mail terry.hurley@hqasc.army.mil.

CFC Homepage address: www.opm.gov/cfc. A homepage for Southern Arizona CFC is anticipated for Sept. 1.

CFC seeks stories

The 2001 Combined Federal Campaign for Fort Huachuca and Cochise County will run Sept. 17-Oct. 31. Each year, millions of people are helped by the contributions made to the charitable organizations represented by CFC.

Some local charities include Fort Huachuca Youth Services, Fort Huachuca Cavalry Association, Fort Huachuca Widowed Support Group/Center, CANTER, Cochise County Humane Society, United Way of Sierra Vista and Cochise County, Catholic Community Services of Cochise County and Sierra Huachuca ARC, to name a few.

This year, we are also seeking personal stories from individuals who have been helped through the services provided by CFC supported organizations.

If you have a personal story you would like to share, or have questions regarding this year’s campaign call the CFC Coordinator at 538-6048 or e-mail terry.hurley@hqasc.army.mil.

Pets of the Week



“Snowball” is a white, young adult female domestic short-haired cat. Her adoption fee is \$42, which includes a spay, vaccinations, a feline leukemia test, a microchip and deworming.



“Baby” is a black and white young female domestic short-haired cat. Her adoption fee is \$42, which includes a spay, vaccinations, a feline leukemia test, a microchip and deworming.



“Jordan” is a 1.5 year-old neutered black and white Great Dane mix. His adoption fee is \$9, which includes vaccinations, a microchip, heartworm test and deworming.

These and several other dogs and cats are available at the Fort Huachuca Veterinary Treatment Facility from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The facility is now open through lunch. For information, call 533-2767.



“Aladore” is a tan and white 13 month-old neutered lab mix. His adoption fee is \$9, which includes vaccinations, a microchip, a heartworm test and deworming.

Be Water Wise and Energy Smart

For more ways to save, call 538-7283

City’s Animal Control hours change

City of Sierra Vista release

The hours of operation of the City Animal Control shelter, located at 1124 North Ave., have changed as of Monday.

The facility will now be open 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday; and will be closed on Sundays and holidays.

If non-emergency services are needed when the shelter is closed, a message can be left at the shelter by calling 458-4151. An Animal Control officer will respond during regular hours of operation. If an emergency oc-

curs when the shelter is closed, the Police Department should be called at 458-3311.

(Editor’s note: Recent city budget cuts have eliminated some of the funding used to care for injured, sick and stray animals — but there is a way everyone can help. Aluminum cans can be dropped into the can recycling point at the Animal Control shelter.

The cans are recycled and the money is used to care for animals at the shelter. Help out the excellent critters in your community — recycle cans at the Animal Shelter.)